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ELECT TO THE UN ANDREW YOUNG FROM THE PRESIDENT AND FOREIGN MINISTER
OF LIBERIA

1. PRESIDENT WILLIAM R. TOLBERT, JR., AND FOREIGN MINISTER
C. CECIL DENNIS, JR., OF THE GOVERNMENT OF LIBERIA HAVE REQUESTED
THE EMBASSY TO FORWARD TO PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE-ELECT
TO THE UN ANDREW YOUNG THE FOLLOWING MESSAGES OF CONGRATULATION:

2. FROM PRESIDENT TOLBERT. BEGIN TEXT:

CONGRESSMAN ANDREW YOUNG, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, WASHINGTON
D.C. USA.

DEAR CONGRESSMAN YOUNG: ON THE HAPPY OCCASION OF YOUR NOMINATION
BY PRESIDENT-ELECT JIMMY CARTER AS PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF
YOUR COUNTRY TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND AS THE FIRST MAN OF OUR
RACE TO HOLD THIS HIGH POSITION, I EXTEND TO YOU PERSONAL
CONGRATULATIONS. THIS DISTINCTION WHICH HAS BEEN CONFERRED UPON
YOU CARRIES WITH IT IMPORTANT CHALLENGES, BUT WITH YOUR EXCEPTIONAL
QUALIFICATIONS I FEEL CERTAIN THAT YOU WILL MEET THE CHALLENGES AND
SO DISCHARGE YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES THAT YOU WILL ADVANCE THE
CAUSE OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND HUMAN DIGNITY WORLDWIDE. FOR US IN
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AFRICA WHO REALIZE HOW INTIMATELY YOU HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH AFRICAN
AND THIRD WORLD PROBLEMS, WE ARE EVEN MORE HEARTENED BY YOUR
NOMINATION AT THIS TIME AS THE UNITED STATES EVOLVES A NEW
POLICY TOWARD AFRICA, ON WHICH WE FEEL WILL BE BROADENED AND
GIVEN GREATER DIMENSIONS AS A CONSEQUENCE OF YOUR OWN CONTRIBUTIONS.
I PRAY THAT THE ALMIGHTY WILL GIVE YOU THE NEEDED COURAGE AND

STRENGTH AS YOU CARRY OUT YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES. AT THIS
YULETIDE MAY THE PRINCE OF PEACE ABIDE WITH YOU AND MAY
THE NEW YEAR BRING YOU INCREASING SELF-FUFFILMENT.
KINDEST PERSONAL REGARDS, SINCERELY, W.R. TOLBERT, JR.
END TEXT.

3. FROM FOREIGN MINISTER DENNIS. BEGIN TEXT:

CONGRESSMAN ANDREW YOUNG, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, WASHINGTON,
D.C. USA.

DEAR CONGRESSMAN YOUNG: THE NEWS HAS JUST REACHED ME OF YOUR
NOMINATION BY PRESIDENT-ELECT JIMMY CARTER AS THE NEXT
PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF YOUR COUNTRY TO THE UNITED NATIONS,
AND I HASTEN TO EXTEND TO YOU MY PERSONAL AND MOST SINCERE
CONGRATULATIONS. YOUR NOMINATION AS SPOKESMAN OF YOUR GREAT
COUNTRY TO THE UNITED NATIONS IS INDEED A CREDIT TO BLACK PEOPLE
THE WORLD OVER. THE EXTRAORDINARY ABILITIES WHICH YOU BRING
TO THIS HIGH OFFICE WILL MOST CERTAINLY ENABLE YOU TO
SIGNIFICANTLY CONTRIBUTE TO A RESOLUTION OF THE BURNING ISSUES
ON THE CONTINUING AGENDA OF THE UNITED NATIONS, AND I FEEL
CONFIDENT THAT AS THE UNITED STATES BENEFITS FROM YOUR VARIED
EXPERIENCES AND ENLIGHTENED OUTLOOK, IT WILL THEREBY BECOME EVEN
MORE RESPONSIVE TO THE LEGITIMATE ASPIRATIONS OF THE PEOPLE
OF AFRICA AND THE THIRD WORLD IN GENERAL. I LOOK FORWARD TO A
CONTINUATION OF OUR FRIENDSHIP AND TO MEANINGFUL COOPERATION WITH
YOU AS YOU DISCHARGE YOUR CHALLENGING RESPONSIBILITIES. MAY ALL
YOUR NOBLE EFFORTS BE CROWNED WITH ABUNDANT SUCCESS. WARMEST
PERSONAL REGARDS AND VERY BEST WISHES FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

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SINCERELY, C. CECIL DENNIS, JR., MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
OF LIBERIA. END TEXT.
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